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For: METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR
FLUID DISTRIBUTION IN
MICROFLUIDIC SYSTEMS

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT A

Sir:

Applicants respectfully request consideration of the above-referenced patent application in view of this Preliminary Amendment A and the following remarks.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

At page 1, line 1, change the title to "Methods and Apparatus for Fluid Distribution in Microfluidic Systems"

At page 1, line 5, after "This application" insert "is a divisional application of copending U.S. patent application Ser. No. 09/518,794 filed March 3, 2000, which itself

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1-167 and 179-185.